HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 681

By Todd

A RESOLUTION to recognize and commend Colton Wyatt Phillips upon his receipt of the Cub Scout Supernova Award.

WHEREAS, at a time when this nation's youth face difficult challenges, the Boy Scouts of America is one of our finest assets, providing young men with an educational program that contributes significantly to their character development, citizenship training, and improved mental and physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, Cub Scouting is a family-oriented program of the Boy Scouts of America that is specifically designed to address the needs of younger boys; and

WHEREAS, one of the highest and most difficult awards a Cub Scout can attain is the Dr. Charles H. Townes Supernova Award, and Colton Wyatt Phillips, after considerable effort and diligent preparation, will receive this prestigious award on April 2, 2016, at the Blue and Gold Banquet; and

WHEREAS, the Supernova Award is a STEM award that recognizes superior achievement by a Cub Scout in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics; and

WHEREAS, to qualify for the award, a Cub Scout must complete all the requirements, including earning two of the four STEM Nova awards, and Colton Phillips has earned the science and technology Nova awards; and

WHEREAS, Colton Phillips is one of only five Scouts in the entire Chickasaw Council of seventeen counties and three states who have completed all the requirements for the Supernova Award; and

WHEREAS, the son of Mark and Anne Phillips, Colton is a fifth-grade student at Bailey Station Elementary in Collierville, and he has demonstrated considerable ability as a leader

among his peers in a variety of ways; he is president of the student council, a peer ambassador, and a member of the Bailey Station flag team and the STEM Club, and he holds a junior black belt in Shotokán karate; and

WHEREAS, a member of Cub Scout Pack 99 at Germantown Baptist Church, Colton Phillips is a Webelos Super Achiever and has earned all of the twenty Webelos activity badges, fifty-three belt loops, and fifty-three pins during his years as a Cub Scout; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should recognize Colton Phillips as one of the most outstanding young people in our State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby recognize Colton Wyatt Phillips upon his receipt of the Cub Scout Supernova Award, commend his hard work and perseverance, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.